



# ROTARY CLUB of CLAYTON Inc.

District 9810 Victoria, Australia

## Weekly Bulletin 2010-2011

Meets every Monday from 6:30pm at L'unico Restaurant  
319 Clayton Road, Clayton (Melways 79C2)  
(No meeting on public holidays)



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### Upcoming Club Program

Date	Speaker	Chairperson	Desk	Visitors
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Richard Simmons – Travel to United States, England & Scotland	Reddy Kandadi	Craig Merson	Katherine Merson
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Committee Evening	Craig Merson	Katherine Merson	Heather Norling
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Dianne Sides – Involvement at Southern Health	Katherine Merson	Heather Norling	Glenys Pattison

### Presidents Report

The first AGM of the Incorporated District 9810 was held last Friday, suffice to say the books were decreed in order, a small profit was recorded and there were no issues so it was a very good outcome. The President's meeting then moved on to general club matters, a District Foundation Dinner on Wed Nov 24<sup>th</sup>, home hosting opportunities are still available for the incoming GSE team from California, the Pakistani Flood saw \$5,000 from District and just \$7,000 from clubs (of which a fair proportion came from our club). Membership data was not good, Rotary District membership was 1600 a while back but now has fallen under 1300 to 1299; again our club can hold its head up high but we cannot rest on our laurels. In discussions outside it is very evident most clubs are not trying very hard with whole new industrial areas not tapped. The Proactive Policing was mentioned with not a lot of activity it seems, our thoughts on it were highlighted, maybe we can show them how, we are working on it. The Sing and Win contest does not have many entries yet, 6 clubs are now holding Primary School Speech contests all with positive results. General club activities did not seem great sorry to say, they are seeking clubs to take on RYPEN and Shelterbox. I am comfortable with what we are attempting to do.

The Farmer's Market is showing good signs and I believe some Clayton members attended a nearby one on Saturday and will report on it on Monday. This can be a major earner for our club if we play our cards right and with some added cunning and exposure it may spawn more members for us.

Bill Sides

## Rotary Four Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

## Last Meeting & Notes

### Last Meeting (25/10):

This week our Guest Speaker was Alan Newstead who is a member of the Rotary Club of Glen Waverley. Alan spoke about and on how to become a Centurion.

The Centurion Club is a convenient and personal way of supporting The Rotary Foundation, by way of donating A\$100 per year (or more if you so wish), for as long as you are in a position to do so. This is an opportunity for Rotarians and others to support the humanitarian work of the Rotary Foundation in alleviating abject poverty, educating the illiterate and relieving the scourge of disease.

Your annual donation (from only \$1.92 per week and tax deductible) is paid to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust and is used to finance the work of the Rotary Foundation. Fifty percent of the money you donate comes back to District 9810 after 3 years. Your contribution earns you Paul Harris recognition credits which you can accumulate for yourself, or use to recognise someone else, or they can be signed over to add to the club's total for the club to recognise a worthy recipient. The total number of points required for a Paul Harris recognition is the equivalent of US\$1000.

The Centurion Club is not only for Rotarians. Anyone who expresses an interest and is willing to donate the funds is eligible to join. And remember, it is tax deductible. Club members receive a Badge and a Certificate of Membership.

### Meeting Notes:

- Update on the Monash Farmers Market at Monash University was provided by Bill Sides & Ralph Zuccaro. Thank you to Craig Merson for supplying the BBQ. Approx \$550 - \$600 profit was made on the day. Craig Merson has taken on the running of the BBQ at the Market from now on. Next Market is on the 27<sup>th</sup> November (State Election day).
- Bill Sides gave a reminder on the ROMAC Dinner on the 15<sup>th</sup> November (see flyer in this bulletin).
- A big welcome back was given to Warren Fricke. Warren thanked all those who offered to help & helped in the shop during the time while he was looking after Heather. To show his appreciation, Warren donated some of his takings from the shop during that time towards Rotary Foundation.
- Bill Sides announced that due to the increase of members in the club and to give the opportunity for everyone to get involved with something, that the committees will be launched again this year.

**Apologies** = John Goldspink, Lesley Zuccaro, Dianne Sides, & Bronwen Lamond.

**Make Ups** = Dianne Sides, Lesley Zuccaro, Jon Breisch, Katherine Merson & Rukshana Verzijl (Monash Farmers Market). Richard Simmons (Rotaract)

**Leave of Absence** = None.

**Visitors** = Alan Newstead (RC of Glen Waverley & Guest Speaker)

## THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## Think Foundation Thoughts

### November: Rotary Foundation Month

*This week's Foundation Thought is about ...*

**Supporting the Foundation.** —The Foundation belongs to us all. It is our greatest resource for doing good, and it is our responsibility to maintain its strength. I hope every Rotarian will join us by making a contribution to support the Foundation's programs this year. — *2004-05 RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr.*

## Important Club Dates

**Monday 29/11/10** – Annual General Meeting. All members to attend as we will be voting on the RC of Clayton Amended Constitution & the By Laws of Rotary International. If you wish to see a copy please contact Tom Portelli.

**Thursday 07/04/11 to Saturday 09/04/11** – 2011 District 9810 Conference.

## District 9810 News

### District 9810 Annual Rotary Foundation Dinner

**When:** Wednesday 24 November 2010  
**Time:** 6:30 for 7pm—concluding 10pm  
**Where:** Monte Carlo Receptions  
5 Mitchell St, Doncaster East  
(ample parking available)  
**Cost:** \$65.00 per person includes champagne on arrival, finger food, two course dinner and soft drinks (drinks at bar prices).

#### Hosted by the Rotary Club of Doncaster, Inc.

Proceeds to support **The Rotary Foundation** humanitarian and educational aid programs.

#### **Inspirational Special Guest Speakers:**

##### **David Parkin:**

David holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of Western Australia as well as writing and publishing more than a dozen books and numerous articles including co-authoring 'What Makes Teams Work' in which he explores the reasons for and lessons from highly successful businesses.

##### **Rotary International Peace Scholar - Inspector Charles Allen**

Recently returned from completing the Rotary International Peace and Conflict Studies Program at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand.

**Paul Harris Credits - A table of 10 from a single club will provide that club with necessary credit for one Paul Harris Fellow recognition.**

**Club Presidents:** - you may wish to consider subsidising the cost by \$20 per person for your members and partners. A table of 10 will then cost your Club \$200 in return for a Paul Harris Fellow recognition. A great opportunity for smaller clubs.

## Special Announcements

**8<sup>th</sup> November – Katherine Merson Birthday.**

**8<sup>th</sup> November – John Goldspink Birthday.**

**9<sup>th</sup> November – Gaye Barnes Birthday.**

**24<sup>th</sup> November – Sue Ah-Tye Birthday.**

RSVP to Alma Reynolds by Fri 19/11/10

[alma@spw.solutions.com.au](mailto:alma@spw.solutions.com.au)

Phone: 043 464 2570

**Please provide names of all those attending**

Payment by cheque or EFT details below:

Rotary Club of Doncaster Inc. Community Account

Bank Westpac, The Pines Shopping Centre

BSB 033 028 Acct No 356 579

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## Rotaract Club of Monash

### Club Meeting Details:

The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm  
Mulgrave Neighbourhood House  
36 – 42 Mackie Road, Mulgrave  
(Melways 80C3)

### Upcoming Rotaract Events:

- 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> November – Relay For Life at the Bill Sewart Athletics Track, East Burwood Reserve.

### Rotaract Roster:

Date	Rotarian to Visit
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	John Barnes
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Michael Ellinger

***If you cannot attend on the night you are rostered, please organise a replacement to take your place.***

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## Upcoming Events in Monash

### Women's Business Network Event - Work Life Balance

**Wednesday, 10 November**

#### Featuring:

Ann Barker - State Member for Oakleigh

Jane Riley - Set 4 Life and National Marketing Manager for Ridgeways

Meg Phillips - Bright Light Special Education

- **Time:** 6pm arrival for 6.30pm Start
- **Venue:** Monash Training & Seminar Centre, 1A Atherton Road, Oakleigh
- **Contact:** Economic Development Unit, 9518 3577 or email [ecodev@monash.vic.gov.au](mailto:ecodev@monash.vic.gov.au)
- **Cost:** \$20 per person

Come along to hear from a panel of speakers on work life balance and how they have managed it all. The audience will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss with fellow attendees.

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## Upcoming Events in Kingston

### KAN Arts Expo

**Sunday, 21 November 2010**  
**10:00 AM - 4:00 AM**

The KAN ARTS EXPO is the best place in town to discover hand made art and craft treasures, meet local artists and be entertained by some of our finest local performers.

The artists market includes paintings, drawing, sculptures, photography, jewellery, basket making, artist demonstrations, live music and more.

**LOCATION:** Mentone RSL, 9 Palermo Street, Mentone

**CONTACT NAME:** Kingston Arts Network **PHONE:** 0448 427 755

**EMAIL:** [kingstonartsnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:kingstonartsnetwork@gmail.com)

**WEB:** <http://www.kan.org.au>

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## Where other Clubs Meet

A Rotarian can attend the weekly meeting of any Rotary club around the world. This is a "make-up" and counts as attendance credit when you are not able to attend a meeting of your own club.

Details for all District 9810 clubs can be obtained in the district directory or website [www.rotary9810.org](http://www.rotary9810.org). Details for clubs around the world are available in the RI Directory (held by the club secretary) and on the RI website ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))

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## Reminders

Please ensure that the club is aware if you will be missing a meeting. Contact **Ralph Zuccaro** on **0408 991 741 by 4 pm** on the **day of the meeting**, if you are not going to be present.

Contributions for inclusion into the Bulletin should be passed to [michaele@netspace.net.au](mailto:michaele@netspace.net.au) by Thursday evening of each week.

**Please remember if you cannot perform your rostered job, it is your duty to find a replacement to take your place.**

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## Joke of the Week

A butcher saw a dog in the shop. He shoed him away, but the dog was soon back. The man noticed the dog had a note in his mouth. The note read: "Can I have 12 sausages and a leg of lamb, please. The dog has some money in his mouth."

The butcher looked again and saw a \$50 bill there. He took the money, and put the sausages and lamb in a bag, placing it in the dog's mouth. The butcher was impressed, and as it was close to closing he shut the shop and followed the dog.

The dog came to a pedestrian crossing where he put down the bag, jumped up and pressed the button. He then waited patiently, bag in mouth, for the lights to turn.

He crossed the road with the butcher following him to a bus stop. The dog checked the timetable and took a seat on a bench. Along came a bus, so the dog walked to the front, looked at the number and returned to his seat. Another bus came. Again the dog looked at the number. It was the right bus so he entered the door.

The butcher, by now open-mouthed, followed. The bus travelled to the suburb where he got off, his meat order still in his mouth. The dog turned into a garden. He walked up the path, muttered a bit and placed the meat order on the step.

Then he walked back down the path, took a big run and threw himself against the door. He did this several times but there was no answer. The dog jumped up on a narrow wall, and walked along the perimeter of the garden. He got to the window, and rapped his paw against it several times before he returned to the door.

The butcher was amazed when a man opened the door and gave the dog two sharp smacks on the bottom, adding a few swear words. The butcher intervened, saying: "What the heck are you doing? That dog is a genius. He could be on TV!"

To which the man responded: "Clever, my foot! This is the second time this week that he's forgotten his key."

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## Rotary International News

### Canadian polio survivor enjoys a royal moment

By Arnold R. Grahl  
Rotary International News -- 28 October 2010

When polio survivor Ramesh Ferris hand-cycled across Canada in 2008 to raise money for polio eradication, one of his goals was to share with as many leaders and policymakers as possible the importance of ridding the world of the disease.

Ferris, a member of the Rotary Club of Whitehorse, Yukon, had another opportunity on 30 June, when he was granted an audience with Queen Elizabeth II and Prime Minister Stephen Harper during the queen's 2010 Royal Tour of Canada.

The 30-year-old polio survivor had been invited to a royal garden party at Rideau Hall in Ottawa by Senator Daniel Lang of Yukon, whom Ferris has known since childhood. In his conversation with the queen and prime minister, Ferris spoke about how polio had changed his life, about his experiences cycling across Canada, and about the need to eradicate the disease.



Polio survivor Ramesh Ferris (left) of the Rotary Club of Whitehorse, Yukon, meets with Queen Elizabeth II and Prime Minister Stephen Harper during the queen's 2010 Royal Tour of Canada. *Photo courtesy of Ramesh Ferris*

Before the party, Ferris conferred with Lang and decided to wear cycling shorts and a T-shirt to the event instead of formal attire. "We felt it would have a bigger impact on Her Majesty if she could see the effects of polio on my body," Ferris says. "Her Majesty looked quite shocked to see my legs, and it created an opening to share my personal experience and the importance of Rotary's cause."

He says he reminded the queen, who was scheduled to speak to the United Nations General Assembly the next week, that when she had last addressed the assembly, in 1957, there were thousands of cases of polio in the United States alone, primarily in children under five. "I told her we are so close to eradicating polio, and encouraged her to talk about the importance of continuing the fight."

Ferris says the queen "was very engaged" and that Harper affirmed Canada's commitment to helping in the eradication effort.

During the RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, earlier in June, Ferris promoted the cause by hand-cycling through the streets and leading a group of Rotarians to a special ceremony in Vieux-Montréal, where the landmark Bonsecours Market was illuminated with Rotary's pledge to End Polio Now (*En finir avec la polio*).

Ferris, who contracted polio in India when he was six months old, was adopted by Canadian parents at the age of two. After numerous surgeries and extensive physical therapy, he learned to walk with crutches.

In 2002, he founded Cycle to Walk, a public awareness campaign for polio eradication, education, and rehabilitation. The effort has included hundreds of presentations to Rotary clubs, schools, and churches across Canada, generating more than 300 media interviews to advocate continued support of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. In 2008, he rode his 27-speed hand-cycle on a 4,474-mile journey from Victoria, British Columbia, to Cape Spear, Newfoundland.

"Rotary's fight against polio has such a personal connection for me," Ferris says. "To prevent children from suffering through the same pain that marred my childhood truly touches my heart."

He says he was moved by his meeting with the queen and prime minister. "It was a powerful experience to stand with my country's leader and our monarch."



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'beauty' advisor, Marney gained fame with her role as Marion in *Priscilla Queen of the Desert - the Musical*.

Her one woman hit show *Bustin' Out: Bondi to Broadway* played to sell out crowds in New York, and her *Rosa Waxes Lyrical* show

toured the United Kingdom to sold out houses and rave reviews.

Rosa's acerbic wit and the sarcastic put-downs coupled with Marney's genuine charm and warmth is the show's formula for success.

Not only will you have a most enjoyable night out, you'll also feel good because you'll be helping Rotary Oceania Medical

Aid for Children (ROMAC) change and save the lives of underprivileged and deserving children at this entertaining fund raiser.

Don't miss out. Seats are limited at this intimate show, so contact your friends, book your tickets and enjoy Rosa's witty insights!

*"..the empress of euphemism, the mistress of comedic mayhem, and the madam of mirth."*

**DATE** 7:00 for 7.30pm, Monday November 15 2010.

**VENUE** Cardinal Club, Morrison Street, Scotch College.

*Adequate parking near venue.*

**COST** \$50 p/p, inclusive of welcome champagne and a free raffle ticket.

Credit card via [www.romac.org.au/merchandise/live-show](http://www.romac.org.au/merchandise/live-show)

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**ENQUIRIES** Richard Groom 03 9888 4099 or Gerry Phillips 0418 349 024



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